IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

PACETTI, Stephen D.

Group Art Unit: 1615

Serial No.: 10/805,036

Examiner: Caralynne E. Helm

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For: BIOLOGICALLY ABSORBABLE COATINGS FOR IMPLANTABLE DEVICES BASED ON COPOLYMERS

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Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

With regard to the non-final office action mailed 12 November 2009, please take the following actions and consider the remarks below.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as shown on the separate pages that follow.